



METROPOLITAN
TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

2005-2006 State and Federal Legislative Session

September 6, 2006

Index

Joseph P. Bort MetroCenter
101 Eighth Street
Oakland, CA 94607-4700
Telephone: 510.817.5700
TDD/TTY: 510.817.5769
Fax: 510.817.5848
Web site: www.mtc.ca.gov

State Assembly Bills

Bill	Author	Subject	MTC	ABAG	BAAQMD	CSAC	LCC	Page
AB 32	Nuñez	Greenhouse Gas Emission Reductions						1
AB 134	Nuñez	Public Infrastructure Bonds						1
AB 267	Daucher	State Improvement Program: Advance Expenditure of Local Funds	Support				Support	1
AB 343	Huff	Loan of Spillover Funds: Guaranteed Repayment <i>Foothill Transit</i>						1
AB 350	Matthews <i>Houston</i>	Jobs-Housing Opportunity Zones <i>Fire District Protection Boards</i>		Support			Watch	1
AB 372	Nation	Design-Build: Transit Agencies						2
AB 457	Nuñez	Price Gouging Prohibition: Extension to Gasoline Refiners						2
AB 713	Torrico	High-Speed Rail Bond Measure: November 2008				Watch		2
AB 799	Leno	Local Vehicle License Fee		Support				2
AB 1010	Oropeza <i>Ruskin</i>	Grade Crossing Oversight: Caltrans <i>Telecommunications: Mobile Phone Services</i>	Support					3
AB 1012	Nation	Alternative Fuel						3
AB 1020	Hancock	Metropolitan Planning: Smart Growth Models		Watch	Watch		Watch	3

MTC – Metropolitan Transportation Commission
CSAC – California State Association of Counties

ABAG – Association of Bay Area Governments
LCC – League of California Cities

BAAQMD – Bay Area Air Quality Management District

State Assembly Bills

Bill	Author	Subject	MTC	ABAG	BAAQMD	CSAC	LCC	Page
AB 1157	Frommer	Railroad-Highway Grade-Crossings: General Obligation Bond					Watch	4
AB 1324	Vargas	School Pedestrian-Bicyclist Safety Program					Watch	4
AB 1387	Jones	CEQA: Residential Infill Projects		Watch			Support	4
AB 1407	Lieber	Bridge Toll Cleanup Legislation: Regional Measure 2 and Hybrid Vehicles in HOV Lanes	Support			Watch		5
AB 1559	Gordon	General Obligation Bond: Statewide Communications Interoperability System						5
AB 1699	Frommer	Commuter Trains: "Push-Pull" Prohibition Study				Watch	Watch	5
AB 1783	Nuñez	Infrastructure Bond Proposal		Support			Watch	6
AB 1785	Bermudez	Grade Separation Projects						6
AB 1838	Oropeza	Transportation Bond Acts of 2006, 2008, and 2012						6
AB 1853	Matthews	Railroad-Highway Crossings: Grade Separation Projects						6
AB 1935	Bermudez	Railroads: Maintenance and Safety						6
AB 1939	Bogh	High Speed Rail Bond Act Repeal						6
AB 1941	Nava	Minimum Clearance Requirement: Overtaking a Bicycle						7
AB 1974	Walters	High-Occupancy Vehicle Lane Access						7
AB 1976	Nava	School Zone Fines: Pedestrian-Bicyclist Safety Programs						7
AB 2025	Niello	Design-Build Authority: Caltrans						7

State Assembly Bills

Bill	Author	Subject	MTC	ABAG	BAAQMD	CSAC	LCC	Page
AB 2028	Huff	Proposition 42 Loans						7
AB 2113	Aghazarian	Goods Movement: Port of Oakland/ Central Valley				Watch		7
AB 2120	Liu	Disabled Persons: Vehicle Placards						8
AB 2128	Torrico	Employer Tax Credit: Commuter Benefits						8
AB 2154	Goldberg	Car Share Parking Spaces						8
AB 2237	Karnette	Harbors and Ports: Security						8
AB 2274	Karnette	Harbors and Ports: Emergency Response and Evacuation						8
AB 2286	Torrico	Housing Opportunity Zones: Tax- Increment Financing		Support			Watch	9
AB 2290	DeVore	Truck-only Toll Lanes						9
AB 2295	Arambula	Road Rehabilitation: STIP Eligibility				Support	Support	9
AB 2361	Huff	Federal Border Infrastructure Funding						9
AB 2442	Klehs	Petroleum Industry Windfall Profits Tax: Proposition 42 Swap						9
AB 2444	Klehs	Vehicle Registration Fee: Congestion Management, Water and Air Quality						10
AB 2465	De La Torre	Pedestrian-Bicyclist Safety Program					Support	10
AB 2484	Hancock	Housing Development: Density Bonuses		Support		Support	Support	10
AB 2492	Benoit	State of Emergency: Transportation						10

State Assembly Bills

Bill	Author	Subject	MTC	ABAG	BAAQMD	CSAC	LCC	Page
AB 2538	Wolk	Project Planning, Programming and Monitoring (PPM) Funds	Support					10
AB 2593	Keene	Compensation: Meal Periods						11
AB 2600	Liu	HOV Lane Access: Electric & <i>Hybrid</i> Vehicles				Watch		11
AB 2621	Strickland	Sales and Use Tax Exemption: Motor Vehicle Fuel						11
AB 2630	Benoit	Grade Separation Project Funding						11
AB 2843	Saldana	Air Pollution Programs						11
AB 2873	Wolk	Transportation Development Act: Local Authorization to Double	Support					11
AB 2991	Karnette	Port Infrastructure Financing				Watch		12
AB 3023	Nuñez	Railroad Safety						12
AB 3031	Houston	State Highways: Exemption from Environmental Review						12
AB 3047	Canciamilla	Toll Lanes: Pilot Program	Support					12
ACA 4	Plescia	Proposition 42: Removal of Suspension Provision	Support and seek amendment					13
ACA 4X	Keene	Governor's Budgetary Reform Package: Proposition 42	Oppose unless amended					13
ACA 7	Nation	Vote Threshold for Local Sales Tax Measures		Support		Support		13

State Assembly Bills

Bill	Author	Subject	MTC	ABAG	BAAQMD	CSAC	LCC	Page
ACA 9	Bogh	Proposition 42: 4/5 Vote Requirement for Suspension					Watch	13
ACA 10	Nunez	Proposition 42: Technical Amendment						13
ACA 11	Oropeza	Proposition 42: Interest Requirement for Loans; Removal of Suspension Provision	Support and seek amendment				Watch	14
ACA 36	Nation	25-cent Gasoline Tax Increase for Alternative Fuel Development						14

State Senate Bills

Bill	Author	Subject	MTC	ABAG	BAAQMD	CSAC	LCC	Page
SB 3	Torlakson	Safety Enhancement: Double Fine Zone					Watch	15
SB 44	Kehoe Torlakson	General Plan: Air Quality Element Vehicles: Dealer Document Preparation Charges		Watch	Support			15
SB 172	Torlakson	Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Reporting Requirements	Support				Watch	15
SB 208	Alquist	Traffic Congestion Relief Program: Full Funding Grant Agreements						16
SB 371	Torlakson	CEQA Consultation	Support				Watch	16
SB 427	Hollingsworth	CEQA Exemption: Transportation Projects on Existing Right-of-way		Watch			Watch	16
SB 757	Kehoe	Oil Conservation, Efficiency and Alternative Fuels Act			Watch			16
SB 762	Lowenthal	Intermodal Port Congestion			Seek amendments			17
SB 768	Simitian	Identity Information Protection						17

State Senate Bills

Bill	Author	Subject	MTC	ABAG	BAAQMD	CSAC	LCC	Page
SB 832	Perata	CEQA: Infill Development		Watch			Watch	17
SB 968	Torlakson	Land Use Planning: General Plans <i>Domestic Violence</i>		Support				17
SB 988	Migden	Safety Awareness Zone: Golden Gate Bridge						18
SB 1024	Perata	Public Works and Improvements: Bond Measure		Watch	Support			18
SB 1132	Committee on Budget	Transportation Budget Trailer Bill						18
SB 1161	Alarcon	State Highways: Design-Sequencing				Watch	Watch	18
SB 1165	Dutton	Transportation Bond Acts of 2006, 2008, and 2012					Watch	18
SB 1177	Hollingsworth	Housing: Density Bonuses		Oppose		Oppose	Oppose	18
SB 1225	Chesbro	Service Authority: Registration Fee					Watch	19
SB 1237	Maldonado	Truck Length: Combination Vehicles						19
SB 1266	Perata	Transportation Infrastructure Bond						19
SB 1282	Ducheny	Federal Funds: Border Infrastructure					Watch	19
SB 1493	McClintock	High Speed Rail Bond: Repeal				Watch	Watch	20
SB 1494	McClintock	High Priority Transportation Projects: CEQA Exemption						20
SB 1505	Lowenthal	Hydrogen Fuels						20
SB 1509	Soto	Zoning Regulations: OPR Model Ordinance					Watch	20

State Senate Bills

Bill	Author	Subject	MTC	ABAG	BAAQMD	CSAC	LCC	Page
SB 1587	Lowenthal	Highway Safety: Federal Funds						20
SB 1601	Lowenthal	Marine Ports: Emissions						21
SB 1611	Simitian	Congestion Management Fee: Vehicle Registration						21
SB 1613	Simitian	Cell Phone Use Restrictions						21
SB 1628	Perata	Water Transit Authority: Alternate Board Members						21
SB 1689	Perata	Affordable Housing/Transit Oriented Development Bond						21
SB 1694	Aanestad	Federal Funds: Allocation to Counties				Support		22
SB 1703	Lowenthal	California Transportation Commission Membership					Watch	22
SB 1719	Perata <i>Cedillo</i>	Proposition 42: Transportation Investment Fund—Payment of Wages						22
SB 1749	Migden	San Francisco Muni: Fare Evasion				Watch	Watch	22
SB 1754	Lowenthal	Housing and Infrastructure Zones		Support			Support	23
SB 1791	Margett	High-Occupancy Vehicle Lanes: University of California Study				Watch	Watch	23
SB 1798	Perata	CEQA Exemption: Infill Projects		Watch			Watch	23
SB 1812	Runner	SAFETEA Project Delivery Pilot Program: Delegation of Federal Environmental Review				Support	Support	23
SB 1841	Migden	Yerba Buena Island Ramp Connections					Watch	24
SCA 7	Torlakson	Transportation Funds: Loans and Repayment Requirements						24

State Senate Bills

Bill	Author	Subject	MTC	ABAG	BAAQMD	CSAC	LCC	Page
SCA 29	Morrow	Ports: Foreign Ownership					Watch	24

Federal Bills

Bill	Author	Subject	MTC	ABAG	BAAQMD	CSAC	LCC	Page
H.R. 52	Capito	Rail and Mass Transportation						25
H.R. 106	Green	Neighborhood Rail Accountability Act						25
H.R. 153	Menendez	Rail and Transportation Security						25
H.R. 168	Millender-McDonald	Freight Transportation Gateways						25
H.R. 173	Millender-McDonald	Port Security						25
H.R. 280	Miller	Brownfield Redevelopment						26
H.R. 444	Issa	High Occupancy Vehicle Lanes: Access for Hybrid Vehicles						26
H.R. 478	Millender-McDonald	Seaport Security						26
H.R. 705	Gilchrest	Fuel Efficiency Standards: Light Trucks						26
H.R. 723	Pombo	California Highway Study: State Route 130 and Interstate 5						26
H.R. 807	Blumenauer	Transportation Fringe Benefit: Bicycle Commuters						26
H.R. 4712	Baird	Buy America Requirements: Bridges						27
H.R. 5576	Knollenberg	FY 2007 Appropriations Bill						27
H.R. 5689	Young	Technical Amendments to SAFETEA						27
H.R. 5808	Young	Public Transportation Security Assistance Act						27

Federal Bills

Bill	Author	Subject	MTC	ABAG	BAAQMD	CSAC	LCC	Page
S. 95	Lautenberg	Truck Trailer Length and Weight Restrictions						27
S. 129	Talent	Hybrid Vehicle Access to HOV Lanes						28
S. 197	Boxer	Grade Crossings: Safety and Congestion Relief						28
S. 230	Schumer	Railroad Safety						28
S. 248	DeMint	Road Safety Projects: Local Road Eligibility						28
S. 794	Harkin	Safe and Complete Streets						29
S. 2032	Shelby	Public Transportation Terrorism Prevention Act	Support					29
S. 2311	Collins	Demand Response Transportation for Seniors, Blind Persons	Support					29
S. 2635	Wyden	Bicycle Commuters Fringe Benefits						29

For details of important milestones during the 2006 sessions of the California Legislature and the U.S. Congress, please refer to calendars on pages 30-31.

Please direct questions about this history to Rebecca Long (510.817.5889 or rlong@mtc.ca.gov). Changes to the mailing list go to Linda Walls (510.817.5813 or lwalls@mtc.ca.gov). MTC's Legislative History is also available for review on our Web site at www.mtc.ca.gov.

State Assembly Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
AB 32 (Nuñez) Greenhouse Gas Emission Reductions	Requires the State Air Resources Board (ARB) to adopt regulations to reduce statewide greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by 2020. Establishes a market-based emissions trading system similar to the program that exists for other pollutants. (Amended 8/30/06)	Enrolled	
AB 134 (Nuñez) Public Infrastructure Bonds	Enacts the "Traffic Safety and Congestion, Flood Protection, Clean Water, Schools and Parks Act" to authorize \$48.7 billion in bonds, including \$35.6 billion to appear on the June 2006 ballot and \$9.1 billion to appear on the November 2008 ballot. Of this amount, \$18.9 billion would be available for transportation and air quality related programs. (Amended 3/10/06)	Senate	
AB 267 (Daucher) State Transportation Improvement Program: Advance Expenditure of Local Funds	Provides that project sponsors may advance local funds for projects that are programmed in the current year of the State Transportation Improvement Program. Requires local or regional project sponsors to submit an invoice within 12 months of expenditure in order to be eligible for reimbursement and precludes the CTC from shortening this time interval. Specifies that such reimbursement does not take priority over other allocations. (Amended 8/15/05)	Died	Support
AB 343 (Huff) Spillover Funds: Guaranteed Repayment Foothill Transit	In the event that the Legislature redirects transit funding, known as "spillover" funds, to the General Fund or other purposes, requires that such funds be repaid to the Public Transportation Account within three years, beginning in FY 2007-08 and thereafter. (Amended 4/17/06) <i>Authorizes Foothill Transit to contract with the private sector for certain duties. (Amended 8/7/06)</i>	Enrolled	
AB 350 (Matthews) Jobs Housing Opportunity Zones (Houston) Fire Protection District Boards	Authorizes cities and counties to create infrastructure financing districts in jobs-housing opportunity zones, as defined, in order to adopt an infrastructure financing plan to finance public capital facilities. The districts would be designed to mitigate current and future imbalances of jobs and housing in the counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Santa Clara, San Joaquin, and Stanislaus. Creation of the district, as well as any bond issuances, would require approval by the district's landowners or voters. Waives the responsibility of the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for costs imposed by this measure. Increases the contract amount for which fire districts must award a contract to lowest bidder. (Amended 8/8/06)	Enrolled	

State Assembly Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
AB 372 (Nation) Design-Build: Transit Agencies	Extends existing law that allows transit operators to enter a design-build contract pursuant to certain procedures. Specifies that a transit operator should establish a labor compliance program only for such contracts and only if the operator does not have a program. Requires the operator to select the design-build entity for projects based on the lowest responsible bidder. Requires the preparation of certain documents. Expands the definition of a transit operator to include a consolidated agency. (Amended 8/10/06)	Enrolled	
AB 457 (Nuñez) Price Gouging Prohibition: Extension to Gasoline Refiners	Extends existing law prohibiting price gouging to fuel refiners so that all levels in the chain of distribution are prohibited from price gouging, not just retailers. Extends to 60 days (from 30 days) the period in which price gouging is prohibited in the event of an emergency or an abnormal market disruption, as defined. (Amended 8/29/06)	Died	
AB 713 (Torrico) High-Speed Rail Bond Measure: November 2008	Provides for submission of the Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century to the voters for approval at the November 4, 2008 general election rather than in the November 2006 general election. Urgency provision added. (Amended 5/19/06)	Enacted, Chapter 44	
AB 799 (Leno) Local Vehicle License Fee	Authorizes the City and County of San Francisco to impose a local vehicle license fee at a rate not to exceed 2 percent of the market value of the vehicle for general revenue purposes if it is approved by a majority of the electorate and two-thirds of the members of the Board of Supervisors. Requires that the state General Fund be reimbursed by the fees for any loss of revenue due to the additional fee being used as a tax deduction for personal income taxes. (Amended 8/22/06)	Enrolled	
AB 1010 (Oropeza) (Ruskin) Grade Crossing Oversight: Caltrans Telecommunications: Mobile Phone Services	Authorizes the Department of Transportation to regulate safety procedures and equipment for any public transit guideway planned, acquired or constructed after January 1, 1979. Further provides Caltrans with jurisdiction over at-grade or grade-separated crossing of streets by rail transit services. Requires Caltrans to adopt, by January 1, 2007, rules and regulations relating to safety for rail public transit services operated at grade and in vehicular traffic. Requires that providers of mobile phone service grant customers a 21-day grace period to cancel service without penalty. (Amended 8/21/06)	Died	

State Assembly Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
AB 1012 (Nation) Alternative Fuel Vehicles	<i>Requires the State Air Resource Board to adopt regulations that will ensure half of new passenger vehicles and light duty trucks sold each year are clean alternative vehicles. Requires the board to submit a report on the progress manufacturers have made in meeting these requirements, the progress made in increasing the use of alternative fuels and reducing dependence on imported petroleum, and any improvements in public health and the environment attributable to the use of clean alternative fuels. (Amended 8/24/06)</i>	Enrolled	
AB 1020 (Hancock) Metropolitan Planning: Smart Growth Models	Requires certain metropolitan planning organizations, including the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, to develop and implement improved regional travel models incorporating smart growth concepts and to undertake other related planning activities. Requires all transportation models used by state or regional agencies to be usable on personal computers. Requires the California <i>Transportation Commission to adopt guidelines related to the travel demand models used in the development of regional transportation plans by regional transportation planning agencies. Requires a regional transportation planning agency for a region with a population of 800,000 or more to use those guidelines. Specifies certain policy choices that a travel demand model shall be capable of evaluating. Requires the Department of Transportation to assist the commission, on request, in this regard. (Amended 8/9/06)</i>	Enrolled	
AB 1157 (Frommer) Railroad-Highway Grade Crossings: General Obligation Bond	States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation providing for a general obligation bond act to be submitted to the voters to provide funding for a program to eliminate the most dangerous railroad-highway grade crossings in the state, as identified by the Public Utilities Commission, with funds to be allocated by the California Transportation Commission. (Amended 2/8/06)	Died	
AB 1324 (Vargas) School Pedestrian- Bicyclist Safety Program	Expands the School Pedestrian-Bicyclist Safety Program to include San Diego and Los Angeles County. Under current law, the program only applies to Alameda, Santa Barbara and Ventura counties (and their cities) until January 1, 2010. The program permits additional traffic violation fines to be imposed, if approved by the county board of supervisors or city council, to raise funds for pedestrian-bicyclist safety programs. (Amended 6/7/06)	Died	

State Assembly Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
AB 1387 (Jones) CEQA: Residential Infill Projects	Provides that if a residential project, not exceeding 100 units, with a minimum residential density of 20 units per acre, and within one-half mile of the transit stop located on an infill site in an urbanized area is in compliance with the traffic and transportation policies in the general plan or zoning ordinance of the local government, and the local government requires that the mitigation measures approved in a previously certified environmental impact report applicable to the project be incorporated into the project, then a public agency is not required to make findings that the traffic impacts of the project have been mitigated prior to approving the specific project. Provides certain conditions under which the exception does not apply. (Amended 8/7/06)	Enrolled	
AB 1407 (Lieber) Bridge Toll Cleanup Legislation: Regional Measure 2 & Hybrid Vehicles in HOV Lanes	Modifies existing law related to the management structure for the Regional Rail Plan in Regional Measure 2 (RM2). Specifies that the owner of a hybrid vehicle registered in the 9-county Bay Area who seeks a vehicle identifier in order to use the preferential HOV lanes leading to the state-owned toll bridges must maintain a FasTrak account in order to pay bridge tolls when using the HOV lanes without the required number of occupants. Permits single-occupant hybrid vehicles with a Clean Air Vehicle decal to use HOV lanes on Santa Clara County expressways until 2008. Authorizes MTC, in consultation with a project sponsor, to reprogram RM2 project savings to another project in the same bridge corridor. Also permits MTC to swap RM2 funds on a 1:1 basis for alternate funds for other projects that improve travel options in the bridge corridors. Urgency provision added. (Amended 8/17/06)	Enrolled	Support (Sponsor)
AB 1559 (Gordon) General Obligation Bond: Statewide Communications Interoperability System-Urban Park Act of 2006	This bill would enact the Homeland Security Communications Interoperability Development Act of 2005, which, if adopted, would require the California Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee (CALSIEC) and the Public Safety Radio Strategic Planning Committee to form a joint committee to prepare a specified report to the Legislature on or before February 1, 2006, with findings and recommendations for implementing a statewide communications interoperability system. Revises the definition of "facilities" to include community gardens and modifies the criteria for awarding grants. Also requires the Department of Parks and Recreation to maintain an application and grant award schedule as long as funding is available. (Amended 8/28/06)	Enrolled	

State Assembly Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
AB 1699 (Frommer) Commuter Trains: "Push- Pull" Prohibition Study	<i>Requires the Department of Transportation to contract with the Institute of Transportation Studies to conduct a study of the safety of push-pull commuter rail and intercity rail passenger operations, and would require the study to be submitted to the Legislature by June 1, 2008. Requires a transportation agency operating commuter rail service or contracting for the operation of such service, to prohibit passengers from riding in the forward 10 rows of seats of any level of a cab car on such train operating in a "push-pull" configuration. Prohibits those agencies from operating, or contracting with a commuter rail service that operates, a commuter train in such a configuration. (Amended 6/13/06)</i>	Enrolled	
AB 1783 (Nuñez) Infrastructure Bond Proposal	Provides legislative intent to enact the California Infrastructure, Improvement, Smart Growth, Economic Reinvestment, and Emergency Preparedness Financing Act of 2006 to provide for the financing of state and local government infrastructure through various funding sources, including bonds, fees, assessments, and other sources. (Introduced 1/4/06)	Died	
AB 1785 (Bermudez) Grade Separation Projects	Increases the amount that Caltrans is required to budget annually for grade separation projects from \$15 million to \$70 million. (Amended 6/19/06)	Died	
AB 1838 (Oropeza) Transportation Bond Acts of 2006, 2008, and 2012	Enacts the governor's proposal to issue general obligation bonds for various transportation purposes. Pledges a percentage of existing fuel excise taxes and truck weight fees to offset the general fund cost for bond debt service. Authorizes transportation entities to use a design-build process for contracting on transportation projects. (Introduced 1/10/06)	Died	
AB 1853 (Matthews) Railroad-Highway Crossings: Grade- Separation Projects	Requires the Public Utilities Commission, in establishing a project priority list, to specifically assess a grade separation or alteration project for railroad crossing blocking delays that disproportionately affects emergency services. (Introduced 1/13/06)	Died	

State Assembly Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
AB 1935 (Bermudez) Railroads: Maintenance and Safety	Requires that the inspection of railroad equipment and operating procedures occur not less frequently than every 120 days, and the inspection of branch and main line track, and operating procedures at least every 6 months. Requires that usable, functioning automatic grade crossing safety equipment that is removed for upgrade work or other purposes be installed at a crossing that does not have an automatic warning device. (Introduced 2/1/06)	Died	
AB 1939 (Bogh) High Speed Rail Bond Act Repeal	Removes the High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for 21 st Century from the November 2006 ballot. (Introduced 2/1/06)	Died	
AB 1941 (Nava) Minimum Clearance Requirement: Over- taking a Bicycle	Requires a driver of a motor vehicle overtaking a bicycle that is proceeding in the same direction to pass to the left at a distance of no less than three feet. Requires that a violation of this requirement shall be punishable by a \$250 fine. Makes other changes to law related to left-turn lanes to conform to this requirement. (Amended 3/21/06)	Died	
AB 1974 (Walters) High-Occupancy Vehicle Lane Access	Authorizes any county board of supervisors to authorize the use of high-occupancy vehicle lanes on the state highway system within the county by any highway vehicle, providing that this use is consistent with federal law. (Introduced 2/9/06)	Died	
AB 1976 (Nava) School Zone Fines: Pedestrian-Bicyclist Safety Programs	Extends the repeal date of the law that authorizes the counties of Alameda, Santa Barbara or Ventura or any city within those counties to establish double-fine zones near schools to fund pedestrian-bicyclist safety programs from January 1, 2007 to January 1, 2008. (Introduced 2/9/06)	Died	
AB 2025 (Niello) Design-Build Authority: Caltrans	Authorizes the Department of Transportation to contract using the design-build process for the design and construction of transportation projects. Requires the director of the department to establish a prequalification and selection process. (Introduced 2/14/06)	Died	

State Assembly Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
AB 2028 (Huff) Proposition 42 Loans	States the intent of the Legislature to provide an appropriation in the Budget Act of 2007 or in related legislation during the 2007-08 fiscal year to repay all outstanding Proposition 42 loans. (Introduced 2/14/06)	Died	
AB 2113 (Aghazarian) Goods Movement: Port of Oakland/ Central Valley	Declares the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to facilitate improvement in the movement of goods in northern California, specifically to and from the Port of Oakland and the Central Valley region. (Introduced 2/17/06)	Died	
AB 2120 (Liu) Disabled Persons: Vehicle Placards	Amends existing law that authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue distinguishing placards to disabled persons or disabled veterans, to be used for parking purposes by expanding the health care professionals authorized to sign the certificate substantiating the applicant's disability to include nurse practitioners, certified midwives, and physician assistants, to the extent that this does not cause a reduction in the receipt of federal aid highway funds. (Amended 6/19/06)	Enacted, Chapter 116	
AB 2128 (Torrico) Employer Tax Credit: Commuter Benefits	Authorizes an employer until 2018 to claim a tax credit against income taxes up to 60 percent for costs incurred to provide certain, defined commuter benefits to its employees. Restricts such tax credit to expenditures incurred for private-sector transit, defined as private transit motorized vehicles designed to carry 16 or more passengers. Provides that only employers who offer public transit subsidies as well as private transit subsidies may qualify for the tax credit, but that the credit shall only apply for transit benefits for private mass transit. Requires that the owner of such motorized vehicle(s) register the vehicle(s) annually with the Department of Motor Vehicles (Amended 5/3/06)	Died	
AB 2154 (Goldberg) Car Share Parking Spaces	Authorizes a local authority to, by ordinance or resolution, designate certain streets or portions of streets for the exclusive parking privilege of motor vehicles participating in a car share vehicle or ridesharing program, as defined. Defines a "car share vehicle" as a motor vehicle that is operated as part of a regional fleet and provides daily or hourly service. (Amended 5/8/06)	Enacted, Chapter 189	

State Assembly Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
AB 2237 (Karnette) Harbors and Ports: Security	Requires the Director of Homeland Security in collaboration with the State Department of Health Services to submit an annual report to the Legislature on policies, projects, and funding necessary to protect the harbor facilities, port facilities, and the commercial marine transportation sector from terrorist attack. (Amended 5/30/06)	Enrolled	
AB 2274 (Karnette) Harbors and Ports: Emergency Response and Evacuation	Requires all local, regional and state agencies responsible for emergency management to coordinate with all harbor agencies within their jurisdiction to ensure integration of the harbor agencies' emergency preparation, response, and evacuation procedures with the agencies' activities. (Amended 4/17/06)	Enrolled	
AB 2286 (Torrico) Housing Opportunity Zones: Tax-Increment Financing	Requires the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing to adopt regulations to ensure that grants awarded from the Regional Planning, Housing and Infill Incentive Account from the housing infrastructure bond on the November ballot (Proposition 1C) will result in increased housing production and proper planning and zoning for housing by local government entities. (Amended 5/16/06)	Died	
AB 2290 (DeVore) Truck-only Toll Lanes	Authorizes the Department of Transportation or regional transportation entities to enter into comprehensive development franchise agreements with public and private entities for the construction of transportation projects on state highways designated for exclusive use of commercial trucks. Authorizes user fees to be collected during the franchise agreement period, and authorizes the Transportation Commission to approve continuation of those fees after termination of the agreement. (Amended 4/4/06)	Died	
AB 2295 (Arambula) Road Rehabilitation: STIP Eligibility	States that local road rehabilitation projects are eligible for funds allocated for the regional share of the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). (Introduced 2/22/06)	Enrolled	

State Assembly Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
AB 2361 (Huff) Federal Border Infrastructure Funds	Exempts federal funds derived from apportionments made to the state under the coordinated border infrastructure program from being subject to the funding distribution and fair share formulas. Requires these funds to be programmed by the California Transportation Commission through a competitive grant program separate from the State Transportation Improvement Program in a manner consistent with federal law. (Amended 3/28/06)	Died	
AB 2442 (Klehs) Petroleum Industry Windfall Profits Tax: Proposition 42 Swap	For taxable years on or after October 1, 2005, imposes a tax at the rate of 2 percent on that portion of taxable income in excess of \$10,000 where the taxpaying entity has more than 50 percent of its gross business receipts derived from the petroleum industry. Proportionately reduces the amount of gasoline sales tax paid at the pump by a like amount, holding Proposition 42 funding harmless. (Amended 5/26/06)	Died	
AB 2444 (Klehs) Vehicle Registration Fee: Congestion Management, Water and Air Quality	Authorizes the congestion management agencies in the 9 Bay Area counties to each impose, by a two-thirds vote of the respective government board, an annual fee up to \$5 on motor vehicles registered within those counties for congestion management. Further authorizes the Bay Area Air Quality Management District to impose an additional \$5 annual fee on motor vehicles registered with its jurisdiction for programs that mitigate the impacts of motor vehicles on the environment. The California Regional Water Quality Control Board for the Bay Area and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District would each have responsibility for one half of the revenues derived by this portion of the fee. Caps the amount that these districts may spend on administrative expenses at 5 percent. (Amended 8/3/06)	Enrolled	
AB 2465 (De La Torre) Pedestrian-Bicyclist Safety Programs	Expands the authority to establish a school pedestrian-bicyclist safety program to Los Angeles County and any cities within that county. Extends the repeal date of the program from January 1, 2007 to January 1, 2008. (Amended 4/27/06)	Died	
AB 2484 (Hancock) Housing Developments: Density Bonuses	Exempts housing developments that meet certain density thresholds from a provision in current law that permits a density bonus of up to 35 percent, based on the percent of low-income units in the development. (Introduced 2/23/06)	Died	

State Assembly Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
AB 2492 (Benoit) State of Emergency: Transportation	Includes a transportation infrastructure emergency, as defined, within the definition of a "state of emergency." Requires the department to create and implement an expedited process and establish deadlines for the construction of new highways or highway lanes if the Governor declares such an emergency. (Amended 4/6/06)	Died	
AB 2538 (Wolk) Project Planning, Programming and Monitoring (PPM) Funds	Provides that each county may request up to 5 percent of its county share in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for the purpose of project planning, programming, and monitoring. (Amended 5/26/06)	Enrolled	Support
AB 2593 (Keene) Compensation: Meal Periods	Permits parties in the transportation industry to establish by a collective bargaining agreement an off-duty meal period and an on-duty meal period, where the agreement also provides for a premium rate for overtime hours and a specified regular hourly rate. (Amended 5/11/06)	Died	
AB 2600 (Lieu) HOV Lane Access: Electric & Hybrid Vehicles	Extends the program that allows solo drivers of electric <i>and hybrid</i> vehicles access to high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes from January 2008 through January 2013 <i>and increases the number of decals permitted for hybrid vehicles from 75,000 statewide to 85,000.</i> (Amended 8/28/06)	Enrolled	
AB 2621 (Strickland) Sales and Use Tax Exemption: Motor Vehicle Fuel	Provides a sales and use tax exemption for all motor vehicle fuel, thereby eliminating the fund source for Proposition 42. Provides that no appropriation is made and the state shall not reimburse local agencies for sales and use tax revenues lost by them pursuant to these provisions. (Amended 5/9/06)	Died	
AB 2630 (Benoit) Grade Separation Project Funding	Provides that if an agency receives an allocation greater than \$5 million for a railroad-highway crossing then it may be eligible for an allocation for another project only if the Department of Transportation determines that funds are available for such an allocation. (Amended 4/26/06)	Enrolled	

State Assembly Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
AB 2843 (Saldana) Air Pollution Programs	Removes the sunset date from a requirement that at least 50 percent of funds available under the Carl Moyer program, and other diesel-reduction programs be spent in communities with the most exposure to air pollution contaminants, including but not limited to minority or low-income communities, or both. (Amended 8/23/06)	Enrolled	
AB 2873 (Wolk) Transportation Development Act: Local Authorization to Double	Authorizes a county or city and county to impose an additional one-quarter of 1 percent sales and use tax rate under the Bradley-Burns Law, i.e., the Transportation Development Act tax. Requires a county or city and county that imposes this additional rate to deposit such revenues into a local transportation fund. Provides that the voter-approval requirements for such a measure would be consistent with the California Constitution. (Introduced 2/24/06)	Died	Support
AB 2991 (Karnette) Port Infrastructure Financing	Authorizes a harbor agency to receive counterterrorism funds to pay for port or harbor infrastructure (Amended 6/1/06)	Died	
AB 3023 (Nuñez) Railroad Safety	Imposes certain requirements on a railroad corporation regarding signage, markers, and flagging systems. Requires a railroad corporation to notify the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) and the collective bargaining representative of any affected employee of any new utilization or remote control locomotives in the state. Requires that every operator of rail facilities provide <i>the Public Utilities Commission, the Director of Homeland Security and the Office of Emergency Services</i> local and state law enforcement personnel, emergency personnel, transportation officials and other first responders , a risk assessment of all rail facilities in the state and to develop a an infrastructure protection program to protect rail infrastructure from terrorism or other crimes. Exempts infrastructure plans filed with the PUC or the Office of Emergency Services from the California Public Records Act. (Amended 8/23/06)	Enrolled	
AB 3031 (Houston) State Highways: Exemption from Environmental Review	Extends a provision in existing law that exempts certain Bay Area state-owned toll bridge seismic retrofit and replacement projects from specified environmental, contracting, and permitting requirements under state law to the Fifth Avenue Overhead and High Street Overhead seismic retrofit and replacement projects on Interstate 880, in the County of Alameda. (Amended 4/19/06)	Died	

State Assembly Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
AB 3047 (Canciamilla) Toll Lanes: Pilot Program	Authorizes the department or regional transportation planning agencies to construct high occupancy vehicle lanes and to operate such lanes as toll facilities, consistent with AB 1467 (Nuñez), which authorizes two high occupancy toll lanes in northern California and two in Southern California, in addition to those already authorized in prior statute. (Amended 5/30/06)	Died	
ACA 4 (Plescía) Proposition 42: Removal of Suspension Provision	Proposes a constitutional amendment to Proposition 42 to delete the provision authorizing the governor and the Legislature to suspend the transfer of revenues from the General Fund to the Transportation Investment Fund for a fiscal year during a fiscal emergency. (Amended 5/9/05)	Died; See SCA 7	Support and Seek Amendments
ACA 4X (Keene) Governor's Budgetary Reform Package; Proposition 42	Requires across-the-board reductions in General Fund expenditures in any year in which the Legislature fails to pass, within 30-45 days, a bill to address a \$250 million deficit. Removes the suspension provision in Proposition 42 after FY 2007-08. Provides that any Proposition 42 revenues that were suspended prior to FY 2007-08 shall be fully repaid by January 30, 2022 in annual increments not less than 1/15 of the total. (Amended 4/11/05)	Died; See SCA 7	Oppose Unless Amended
ACA 7 (Nation) Vote Threshold for Local Sales Tax Measures	Proposes a Constitutional Amendment to change the two-thirds voter-approval requirement for special taxes to instead authorize a city, county, or special district to impose a special tax with the approval of 55 percent of its voters voting on the tax. (Introduced 12/6/04)	Died	
ACA 9 (Bogh) Proposition 42: 4/5 Vote Requirement for Suspension	Proposes a Constitutional Amendment to Proposition 42 to change the suspension requirement from two-thirds of the members of each house to four-fifths. (Introduced 1/24/05)	Died; See SCA 7	
ACA 10 (Nunez) Proposition 42: Technical Amendment	Proposes a technical change to Proposition 42 – spot bill. (Introduced 2/15/05)	Died; See SCA 7	

State Assembly Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
ACA 11 (Oropeza) Proposition 42: Interest Require- ment for Loans; Removal of Suspension Provision	Proposes a constitutional amendment that requires interest to be paid on a loan of revenues subject to either Article XIX (State Highway Account) or XIX A (Proposition 42) if the loan is not repaid during the same fiscal year in which it was made. Deletes the provisions authorizing the transfer of revenues from General Fund to the Transportation Investment Fund. Authorizes the Legislature to loan funds in the Transportation Investment Fund to the General Fund or any other state fund or account. (Introduced 2/15/05)	Died; See SCA 7	Support and Seek Amendments
ACA 36 (Nation) 25-cent Gasoline Tax Increase for Alternative Fuel Development	Imposes an additional excise tax of 5 cents per gallon on distributors of motor vehicle fuel beginning on January 1, 2007, and annually increases this tax in 5-cent increments to 25 cents per gallon on January 1, 2011, and thereafter. Specifies that the additional revenues from the tax shall be used, upon appropriation by the Legislature, only for purposes of regional transportation improvements and alternative energy. (Introduced 4/17/06)	Died	

State Senate Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
SB 3 (Torlakson) Safety Enhancement: Double Fine Zone	Designates a segment of Vasco Road between Interstate 580 in Alameda County and the Walnut Boulevard intersection in Contra Costa County as a Safety Enhancement Double Fine Zone, upon approval of county resolutions. Establishes standards for the designation of highway or road segments as Safety Enhancement Double Fine Zones. Requires the Department of Transportation to submit a report to the Legislature on the effectiveness of all double fine zones that will terminate the same calendar year, including recommendations on whether the zones should be reauthorized by the Legislature. (Amended 6/22/05)	Enacted, Chapter 179	
SB 44 (Kehoe) General Plan: Air Quality Element (Torlakson) Vehicles: Dealer Document Preparation Charges	Requires each local jurisdiction to adopt an air quality element as part of its general plan or amend its general plan to include data and analysis, comprehensive goals, policies and implementation strategies to improve air quality no later from one year from the date specified for the next revision of its housing element. Requires that the jurisdiction send a copy of the draft amendment to the appropriate air quality management district for review and comment. Specifies that implementation measures include only those measures over which the city or county has control and shall be balanced with other state and local policies. (Amended 5/17/05) <i>Increases the maximum dealer document preparation charge from \$45 to \$55. (Amended 8/29/06)</i>	Enrolled	
SB 172 (Torlakson) Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Reporting Requirements	Authorizes the Bay Area Toll Authority, on or after January 1, 2009, to increase the seismic retrofit surcharge to generate not less than \$1.875 billion (53%) towards the total estimated cost overrun for the toll bridge seismic retrofit program. Requires that toll bridge seismic retrofit reports be submitted within 30 days after the end of each quarter and include a summary to the budget status for support and capital outlay construction costs. Requires the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to take specified actions to manage the risks associated with the projects. Requires that Caltrans and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission amend the cooperative agreement that governs the toll bridge program to incorporate new oversight responsibilities that MTC will undertake for Regional Measure 1 and the toll bridge seismic retrofit program. Requires the authority and the department to form a Toll Bridge Program Board of Control to review those projects. The bill would require the department to report to the Legislature on those matters and imposes various risk management duties on the department. (Amended 5/27/05)	Died; See AB 144 (Hancock) and SB 66 (Torlakson) – enacted in 2005	Support

State Senate Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
SB 208 (Alquist) Traffic Congestion Relief Program: Full Funding Grant Agreements	Authorizes the California Transportation Commission to enter into “full funding grant agreements” for Traffic Congestion Relief Program projects that have an unallocated balance above a \$100 million threshold. BART to San Jose is the only Bay Area project that fits into this category. (Amended 6/12/06)	Died	
SB 371 (Torlakson) Design-Build: Five-Year Pilot	Declares legislative intent to develop an alternative and optional procedure for bidding on highway, bridge, tunnel or public transit construction projects for county, local transportation authorities, regional transportation entities and Caltrans. (Amended 1/23/06)	Died	Support
SB 427 (Hollingsworth) CEQA Consultation	Requires that a lead agency provide notice of at least one scoping meeting to transportation planning agencies or other agencies required to be consulted for projects of statewide, regionwide or areawide significance pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act. (Amended 1/4/06)	Died	
SB 757 (Kehoe) Oil Conservation, Efficiency and Alternative Fuels Act	Enacts the Oil Conservation, Efficiency and Alternative Fuels Act. Declares that it is the policy of California that state agencies shall take all cost-effective and technologically feasible actions needed to reduce the growth of petroleum consumption, and increase transportation energy conservation, efficiency and the use of alternative fuels. Requires state agents to take the state's transportation energy goals into account in adopting rules and regulations including recommendations in the Integrated Energy Policy Report. (Amended 8/21/06)	Enrolled	
SB 762 (Lowenthal) Intermodal Port Congestion	Authorizes any California harbor agency to establish standards for trucking within its jurisdiction to promote air quality, protect public health and safety and homeland security and other goals. Further authorizes a harbor agency to establish a permit system to authorize drivers to enter the port for pick up and delivery of freight and to impose requirements that any person conducting business with the harbor agency demonstrate proof of compliance with certain state and federal law. Authorizes a harbor agency to terminate any lease or contract with a party that is not in compliance with such laws. (Amended 6/13/06)	Died	

State Senate Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
SB 768 (Simitian) Identity Information Protection Act	Requires identification documents that are created or issued by various public agencies that use radio waves to broadcast personal information, or to enable personal information to be read remotely, to meet specified requirements. Provides that the intentional remote reading or attempting to remotely read such documents using radio waves without permission is punishable by specified criminal penalties. (Amended 8/17/06)	Enrolled	
SB 832 (Perata) CEQA: Infill Development Punitive Damages	Expands the size of projects that are exempt from CEQA, provided they are located in an infill site within a city with a population greater than 200,000. Specifically, exempts projects up to 10 acres with a minimum of 200 units and a maximum of 300 residential units, respectively, as determined by a resolution of the city council. (In the Bay Area, this includes the following cities: Fremont, Oakland, San Francisco, and San Jose.) Provides that results of a final judgment or settlement that is rendered on or before a specified date, and includes punitive damages, that the damages shall be apportioned according to a specified formula. Provides that a percentage of the damages would be deposited to the Public Benefit Trust Fund. Prohibits a jury from being informed of this requirement so the award would result in a windfall to the plaintiff. (Amended 8/24/06)	Enrolled	
SB 968 (Torlakson) Land Use Planning: General Plans Domestic Violence	Renames the "circulation" element of local general plans the "transportation" element. Removes the repeal date for fees authorized in Contra Costa County for domestic violence prevention, intervention and prosecution efforts. (Amended 8/14/06)	Enrolled	
SB 988 (Migden) Safety Awareness Zone: Golden Gate Bridge	Designates until January 1, 2011 the Golden State Bridge as a Safety Awareness Zone for three years, and requires the Department of Transportation to develop and place signs to notify motorists of the presence of the Safety Awareness Zone. (Amended 8/17/06)	Enrolled	

State Senate Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
SB 1024 (Perata) Public Works and Improvements: Bond Measure	Enacts the Safe Facilities, Improved Mobility, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2006 to authorize an unspecified amount in state general obligation bonds on the June 2006 election for specified purposes, including the state transportation improvement program, passenger rail improvements, levee improvements, flood control, restoration of Proposition 42 transportation funds, port infrastructure and security projects, environmental enhancement projects, transit-oriented development, affordable housing, local bridge seismic retrofit, state-local partnership program, transit security and grade crossings subject to voter approval. (Amended 1/26/06)	Died; See SB 1266	Support
SB 1132 (Committee on Budget) Transportation Trailer Bill	Provides for the specific loan provisions related to early repayment of Proposition 42 loans for the State Highway Account, Public Transportation Account, cities and counties and the Traffic Congestion Relief Fund. Further details the amount of spillover funding to go to the Public Transportation Account, and other purposes. (Amended 6/27/06)	Enacted, Chapter 56	
SB 1161 (Alarcon) State Highways: Design-Sequencing	Provides general authorization until January 1, 2012 for Caltrans to use the design-sequencing method of delivering projects, subject to certain criteria. (Amended 6/21/06)	Died	
SB 1165 (Dutton) Transportation Bond Acts of 2006, 2008, and 2012	Enacts the governor's proposal to issue general obligation bonds for various transportation purposes. Pledges a percentage of existing fuel excise taxes and truck weight fees to offset the general fund cost for bond debt service. Authorizes transportation entities to use a design-build process for contracting on transportation projects. (Introduced 1/10/06)	Died	
SB 1177 (Hollingsworth) Housing: Density Bonuses	Amends existing law to allow a developer to qualify for a density bonus and incentives or concessions for construction of a development meeting the affordable housing criteria. Modifies the requirement that the developer show that the waiver or modification of development standards is necessary to make the housing units economically feasible, and instead requires that the developer show that it is physically necessary. (Amended 3/27/06)	Died	

State Senate Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
SB 1225 (Chesbro) Service Authority: Registration Fee	Authorizes the board of supervisors in a county to raise the vehicle registration fee from \$1 to \$2 for the abatement of abandoned vehicles. Further authorizes the service authority to increase the fee for commercial motor vehicles from \$2 to \$4. (Amended 3/23/06)	Enrolled	
SB 1237 (Maldonado) Truck Length: Combination Vehicles	<i>For the counties of San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara only, Eextends the January 1, 2007 sunset date of an exemption in current law to January 1, 2009 that allows combination vehicles to have a total length of not more than 75 feet, if the combination (1) consisted of a motor truck and 2 trailers; (2) a trailer in the combination does not exceed 28 feet 6 inches in length; (3) the combination was used exclusively to transport agricultural products from the field to the first point of handling and return, and each direction of transport did not exceed 80 miles; and (4) the combination was not operated on a highway that is designated as a national network route. Imposes additional requirement that such a vehicle may not exceed 50 miles per hour, to successfully complete a commercial vehicle safety alliance inspection conducted by the Department of the California Highway Patrol, and to operate on the highways only after the development of safe routing techniques. (Amended 8/7/06)</i>	Enrolled	
SB 1266 (Perata) Transportation Infrastructure Bond	Provides for the issuance of \$19.9 billion in general obligation bonds for transportation infrastructure, including \$4 billion for public transportation, \$4.5 billion for corridor mobility improvements related to highways, \$2 billion for goods movement, \$2 billion for streets and roads, \$2 billion for the State Transportation Improvement Program, and \$1 billion for transit security, among other programs. (Amended 5/4/06)	Enacted, Chapter 25	
SB 1282 (Ducheny) Federal Funds: Border Infrastructure	Requires federal funds apportioned to the state under the coordinated border infrastructure program of the Safe, Accountable Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: a Legacy for Users (SAFETEA) to be programmed, allocated and expended in the same manner as other federal transportation capital funds in the state transportation improvement program, except that they would not be subject to the county share distributions. Provides that any State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds used for the nonfederal match would not be counted against the STIP county share. Provides that non-STIP state transportation funds may also be used as a match for the projects, provided the regional transportation planning agency concurs. Authorizes use of funds for projects in Mexico. (Amended 5/2/06)	Enrolled	

State Senate Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
SB 1493 (McClintock) High Speed Rail Bond: Repeal	Repeals provisions of existing law that provides for submission o the Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century to the voters for approval at the November 7, 2006, general election. (Introduced 2/23/06)	Died	
SB 1494 (McClintock) High Priority Transportation Projects: CEQA Exemption	Authorizes the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to designate transportation projects of statewide significance as top priority projects and exempt these projects from the California Environment Quality Act (CEQA). Authorizes Caltrans or other implementing agency to use design-build and design-sequencing procedures for the project. (Introduced 2/23/06)	Died	
SB 1505 (Lowenthal) Hydrogen Fuels	Declares the Legislature's intent that implementation of the Hydrogen Highway Network Blueprint Plan shall be done in an "environmentally responsible and advantageous manner." Includes measure to ensure that greenhouse emissions from new hydrogen base vehicles are lower, and emissions of nitrogen oxides plus reactive gases are lower than emissions from the average gasoline vehicle. (Amended 8/21/06)	Enrolled	
SB 1509 (Soto) Zoning Regulations: OPR Model Ordinance	Requires the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) to adopt one or more model ordinances by September 1, 2007 for voluntary use by cities and counties suitable for modification by a local agency, that encourage mixed use urban form and design that meet specified criteria, including encouraging development closer to existing or planned transit routes. (Amended 8/7/06)	Enrolled	
SB 1587 (Lowenthal) Highway Safety: Federal Funds	Updates references to federal law to conform to changes in Safe, Accountable, Flexible Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA) related to highway safety and the Safe Routes to School program. Provides that Monterey and Santa Barbara shall receive 50 percent of their FY 2005 federal apportionments of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding in FY 2007 and 25 percent of their FY 2005 federal apportionment of CMAQ in FY 2008. (Amended 8/24/06)	Enrolled	

State Senate Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
SB 1601 (Lowenthal) Marine Ports: Emissions	Requires a marine port to require, as an express condition of any approved new lease or significantly renegotiated existing lease, that the lessee use best available control technology to reduce particulate matter (PM) and nitrous oxide (NOx) emissions from specified source categories. If NOx or PM emissions at a marine port continue to increase, requires that lessee offset any increase as a condition of lease. (Amended 5/26/06)	Died	
SB 1611 (Simitian) Congestion Management Fee: Vehicle Registration	Authorizes a congestion management agency (or a county board of supervisors in a county without a congestion management agency), by a majority vote of the governing board, to impose an annual fee up to \$25 on each motor vehicle registered within a county for transportation projects and programs with a relationship or benefit to the persons paying the fee. Requires a specific transportation program with performance measures and a budget to be adopted before the fee is imposed. (Amended 8/7/06)	Died	
SB 1613 (Simitian) Cell Phone Use While Driving: Hand-Free Device	Makes it an infraction <i>until July 1, 2011</i> to drive a motor vehicle while using a wireless telephone, unless that telephone is designed and configured to allow hands-free listening and talking, and is used in that manner while driving. Provides that this prohibition does not apply to <i>a bus driver already subject to restrictions</i> , a person who is using the cellular telephone to contact a law enforcement agency or public safety entity for emergency purposes or to a person when using a digital two-way radio service that is built into a wireless telephone. (Amended 8/24/06)	Enrolled	
SB 1628 (Perata) Water Transit Authority: Alternate Board members	Authorizes each member of the Water Transit Authority to appoint an alternate member who may serve in the absence of the member at a meeting of the board and have all the powers and duties of a board member. (Amended 4/18/06)	Died	
SB 1689 (Perata) Affordable Housing Bond	Places a \$2.8 billion housing bond on the November ballot, including \$850 million for a Regional Planning, Housing and Infill Incentive account, and \$300 million for a Transit Oriented Development Implementation fund. Provides that subsequent trailer bill legislation will be developed to determine additional criteria. (Enacted 5/17/06)	Enacted, Chapter 27	

State Senate Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
SB 1694 (Aanestad) Federal Funds: Allocation to Counties	Requires that counties receive \$30 million or 15 percent of the discretionary portion of the Equity Bonus for the federal-aid secondary road system. (Amended 4/19/06)	Died	
SB 1703 (Lowenthal) California Transportation Commission Membership	Revises current law pertaining to the selection of the members of the California Transportation Commission (CTC), providing that it shall consist of seven 11 voting members <i>with nine</i> appointed by the governor (rather than nine in as in current law), one by the Senate Rules Committee (new), and one by the Assembly Speaker (new) — <i>not subject to confirmation by the Senate</i> —as well as two ex officio members, also appointed by the Senate Rules Committee and the Assembly Speaker (already in current law) and confirmed by the Senate. Provides that the legislative appointments shall be made to replace the outgoing members appointed by the governor. (Amended 8/7/06)	Enrolled	
SB 1719 (Perata) Proposition 42: Transportation Investment Fund (Cedillo) Payment of Wages	Provides for the distribution of funding from Proposition 42 after FY 2008-09, maintaining the existing 40/40/20 split between the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), local streets and roads, and the Public Transportation Account respectively. Authorizes individuals employed in short-term positions in the entertainment industry and their employers to specify in a collective bargaining agreement a time limit for when wages are due after a person is laid off. (Amended 8/24/06)	Enrolled	
SB 1749 (Migden) San Francisco Muni: Fare Evasion	Authorizes the San Francisco Municipal Transit Agency <i>and the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority</i> to establish an alternative adjudication procedure, which would not apply to minors, to process fare evasion citations issued by its proof of payment officers in the same manner as parking infraction citations. (Amended 8/14/06)	Enrolled	

State Senate Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
SB 1754 (Lowenthal) Housing and Infrastructure Zones	Establishes a pilot project allowing for the formation, under criteria developed by specified councils of governments and the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing, of 100 housing and infrastructure zones in the state. A city or county would be eligible to apply to its council of governments or the agency, as applicable, in order to establish a housing and infrastructure zone, subject to approval by the bank, and specified reporting requirements. Authorizes tax-increment financing within the zones. Adds requirements that the provision of affordable housing remain affordable for a minimum period of time (45 years for owner-occupied and 55 years for rental) consistent with current law. (Amended 5/2/06)	Died	
SB 1791 (Margett) High Occupancy Vehicle Lanes: University of California Study	Requests the University of California to conduct a study by January 1, 2008 to evaluate the effectiveness of high-occupancy vehicle lanes, in comparison to high-occupancy/toll lanes, or mixed-flow lanes. (Introduced 2/24/06)	Died	
SB 1798 (Perata) CEQA Exemption: Infill Projects	Revises the definition of "infill site" for the purposes of exemptions from the California Environmental Quality Act to exclude sites that have already been developed for urban uses and no new parcels have been created on the site unless they are the result of a merger of parcels by a redevelopment agency. (Amended 5/16/06)	Died	
SB 1812 (Runner) SAFETEA Project Delivery Pilot Program: Delegation of Federal Environmental Review	Authorizes the State of California to consent to the jurisdiction of the federal courts with regard to the responsibilities assumed pursuant to the surface transportation project delivery pilot program authorized in the Safe Accountable, Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act (SAFETEA). This program allows the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation to permit up to 5 states, including California, to participate in a program whereby the state assumes responsibility for assuring compliance with certain federal environmental laws, including the National Environmental Policy Act. Provides that the law shall expire in 2009 but that the state shall remain liable for any decisions made pursuant to the law prior to its repeal. (Amended 5/2/06)	Died	

State Senate Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
SB 1841 (Migden) Yerba Buena Island Ramp Connections	Relates to the ramp connections on the eastern side of Yerba Buena Island connecting the island to the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge. Makes those ramp connections part of the state highway system. Authorizes agreements related to the maintenance of the ramp. Requires a project study report on the reconstruction of the ramps to be finalized by December 31, 2007. Provides exemption to requirement that the state reimburse local agencies for any costs due to a state-imposed mandate. (Amended 8/7/06)	Died	
SCA 7 (Torlakson) Proposition 42: Loans and Repayment Requirements	Modifies the suspension provision in Proposition 42 to provide that the transfer of gasoline sales tax revenues to transportation may only be suspended twice in a decade, and that such a suspension must be repaid within three years with interest. A second suspension may not be made until the first one is repaid. (Amended 5/4/06)	Enacted, Chapter 49	
SCA 29 (Morrow) Ports: Foreign Ownership	Amends the Constitution to prohibit a state or local government entity that owns or operates a harbor or port facility within the state from authorizing or permitting, by contract or otherwise, an entity owned or controlled by a government of a foreign country to manage or operate that harbor or port. Includes a requirement that the Governor disclose to the public who owns or controls the entities that manage or operate the harbors and ports in the state. (Introduced 3/13/06)	Died	

Federal Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
H.R. 52 (Capito) Rail and Mass Transportation	Provides minimum penalties for those who commit terrorist attacks and other violence against railroad carriers and against mass transportation systems on land, on water, or through the air. (Introduced 1/4/05)	House Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security	
H.R. 106 (Green) Neighborhood Rail Accountability Act	Provides that in determining whether to issue a certificate authorizing the construction of an additional railroad line, or the construction of an extension to any railroad line, the Surface Transportation Board shall give greater weight to local official statements and public comments in opposition to the proposed construction, especially with respect to construction in a residential area, if there is an unusually high level of such public opposition. (Introduced 1/4/05)	House Subcommittee on Railroads	
H.R. 153 (Menendez) Rail and Public Transportation Security	Requires the Department of Homeland Security to work with the Department of Transportation to conduct risk assessments of public transportation infrastructure. Provides specified amounts to Amtrak services operating on the East Coast. Authorizes additional anti-terrorism grants from the Department of Homeland Security for transit agencies, consistent with Federal Transit Agency assessments on risk. (Introduced 1/4/05)	House Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines	
H.R. 168 (Millender-McDonald) Freight Transportation Gateways	Provides \$3 billion in annual funding for a goods movement program to be developed by the Secretary. Of this amount, \$1.5 billion would be provided for unspecified Projects of National Significance to improve the productivity, security, and safety of freight transportation gateways, while mitigating congestion and community impacts in the area of such gateways. Eligible projects would include intermodal freight transportation projects that provide community and highway benefits by addressing economic, congestion, security, and safety. Environmental mitigation associated with freight transportation corridors and gateways would also be eligible for funding. (Introduced 1/4/05)	House Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines	
H.R. 173 (Millender-McDonald) Port Security	Increases the sentencing requirements for those guilty of a crime committed at a seaport or aboard a vessel. Provides for increased reporting and consolidation of information on port-related crimes. (Introduced 1/4/05)	House Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security	

Federal Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
H.R. 280 (Miller) Brownfield Redevelopment	Facilitates the ability of the Department of Housing and Urban Development to assist with the cleanup and economic redevelopment of brownfields. (Amended 12/13/05)	Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee	
H.R. 444 (Issa) High-Occupancy-Vehicle Lanes: Hybrid Vehicle Access	Provides that, until December 31, 2010, a state may permit a hybrid vehicle to drive in a high-occupancy vehicle lane, regardless of the number of occupants in the vehicle, if the state establishes requirements for identifying such vehicles. Defines a hybrid vehicle as those vehicles that have been certified by the Environmental Protection Agency to have a 45-mile-per-gallon or greater fuel economy rating or which meet any additional requirements or conditions that the state establishes. (Introduced 2/1/05)	House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	
H.R. 478 (Millender-McDonald) Seaport Security	Authorizes \$800 million in grants to be issued annually by the Department of Homeland Security, in consultation with the Department of Transportation, for FY 2006 through 2010. Requires that the federal funds constitute no more than 75 percent of the total cost, except for projects below \$25,000. (Introduced 2/1/05)	House Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection, and Cybersecurity	
H.R. 705 (Gilchrest) Fuel Efficiency Standards: Light Trucks	Amends title 49, United States Code, to require phased increases in the fuel efficiency standards applicable to light trucks; to require fuel economy standards for automobiles up to 10,000 pounds gross vehicle weight; to increase the fuel economy of the Federal fleet of vehicles, and for other purposes. (Introduced 2/9/05)	House Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality	
H.R. 723 (Pombo) California Highway Study: State Route 130 and Interstate 5	Directs the Secretary Of Transportation to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of constructing a highway connecting State Route 130 in Santa Clara County with Interstate 5 in San Joaquin County and a fixed guideway system along the right-of-way on the highway. (Introduced 2/9/05)	House Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines	
H.R. 807 (Blumenauer) Transportation Fringe Benefit: Bicycle Commuters	Amends the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the transportation fringe benefit to bicycle commuters. (Introduced 2/15/05)	House Subcommittee on Health	

Federal Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
H.R. 4712 (Baird) Buy America Requirement: Bridges	To amend the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 to clarify that the Buy America provision applies to an entire bridge project, and for other purposes. (Introduced 2/8/06)	House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	
H.R. 5576 (Knollenberg) FY 2007 Appropriations Bill	Makes appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007. (Amended 6/14/06)	Senate	
H.R. 5689 (Young) Technical Amendments to SAFETEA	Amends the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users to make technical corrections, including a revision to the "Buy America" provision.(Introduced 6/27/06)	Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works	
H.R. 5808 (Young) Public Transportation Security Assistance Act	Provides funding for public transportation and agencies and over-the-road bus operators to improve security in a risk-based manner. Requires security assessments to be developed consistent with Department of Homeland Security directives and include a prioritized plan of needed capital and operational security improvements. Requires the Department of Homeland Security to develop guidelines for employee security training programs. For eligible capital infrastructure security improvements, the bill provides \$775 million for FY 2007, \$825 million for FY 2008, and \$880 million for FY 2009. For operational security assistance the bill provides \$400 million in FY 2007, \$300 million in FY 2008 and \$200 million in FY 2009. Also provides \$50 million annually for over-the-road bus security improvements. (Amended 5/19/06)	House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	
S. 95 (Lautenberg) Truck Trailer Length and Weight Restrictions	Restricts the length of truck trailers to 53 feet and provides that any interstate weight limit that applies to vehicles and combinations (other than longer combination vehicles) operating on the Interstate System shall also apply to vehicles and combinations operating on non-Interstate segments of the National Highway System unless such segments are subject to lower state limits. (Introduced 1/24/05)	Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works	

Federal Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
S. 129 (Talent) HOV Lanes: Hybrid Vehicle Access	Provides that a state agency may allow vehicles that are certified as low emission vehicles, as defined, to use high-occupancy-vehicle (HOV) lanes without the requisite number of occupants if the state imposes restrictions as necessary to ensure that neither the individual lanes nor the entire HOV system are seriously degraded. (Introduced 1/24/05)	Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works	
S. 197 (Boxer) Grade Crossings: Safety and Congestion Relief	For FY 2006 through FY 2010, provides an unspecified amount of funds for a grant program, to be awarded by the Secretary of Transportation, for state and local governments to construct tunnels, bridges and other means of separating rail tracks and roads. Requires that the Secretary of Transportation conduct a study on the impact of blocked grade crossings on the operation of emergency vehicles. (Introduced 1/26/05)	Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee	
S. 230 (Schumer) Railroad Safety	Requires that the Secretary of Transportation conduct a comprehensive review of all highway-rail grade crossings in the United States to determine, among other matters, whether any of them should be closed. On the basis of this review, requires that the Secretary compile, maintain, and submit to Congress a list of the 10,000 highway-rail grade crossings most in need of safety improvements, and create a database of such crossings. Provides that any public agency that prevents the Administration from making these improvements shall be subject to withholding of funds from the Highway Trust Fund in specified amounts. (Introduced 2/1/05)	Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee	
S. 248 (DeMint) Road Safety Projects: Local Road Eligibility	A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to permit states to carry out surface transportation program projects on local roads to address safety concerns. (Introduced 2/1/05)	Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works	

Federal Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
S. 794 (Harkin) Safe and Complete Streets Act of 2005	Requires each state transportation department to adopt a statement of policy ensuring that the needs and safety of all road users (including the need for pedestrian and bicycle safety) are fully integrated into the planning, design, operation and maintenance of the transportation system of the State transportation department. Establishes a national goal of doubling the percentage of trips made by foot or bicycle while simultaneously reducing crashes involving bicyclists and pedestrians by 10 percent. Requires metropolitan planning organizations to designate a bicycle/pedestrian coordinator to coordinate bicycle and pedestrian programs and activities carried out in the area served by the organization. Requires MPOs to identify how the long-range plan fits into the national goal and to specify how each project in the TIP fits into it. Establishes Safe Routes to School program and provides authorizations of \$175 million - \$225 million for FY 2005-2009. (Introduced 4/14/05)	Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation	
S. 2032 (Shelby) Public Transportation Terrorism Prevention Act	Provides \$3.5 billion over three years to help improve transit security. Of the \$3.5 billion authorized under the bill, \$2.4 billion would be for capital expenditures, including surveillance and communication equipment, while the remainder would be for operational improvements, such as public awareness campaigns and security training for public transportation employees. (Introduced 11/17/05)	Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs	Support
S. 2311 (Collins) Demand Response Transportation for Seniors, Blind Persons	Establishes a five-year demonstration project to develop a national network of economically sustainable transportation providers (defined as demand-response service by automobile, available 24 hours a day, seven days a week and only receiving federal aid for a maximum of five years) to provide transportation services to older individuals, and individuals who are blind. Authorizes \$25 million for the five-year program but limits individual grants to \$25,000. (Introduced 2/16/06)	Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee	Support
S. 2635 (Wyden) Bicycle Commuters Fringe Benefits	Amends the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the transportation fringe benefit to bicycle commuters. See also H.R. 807. (Introduced 4/24/06)	Senate Finance Committee	

California Legislature
2005-06 Regular Session Calendar

<p>January 2006</p> <p>1 Statutes take effect</p> <p>4 Legislature reconvenes</p> <p>5 Governor's State of the State Address</p> <p>10 Budget must be submitted by Governor</p> <p>27 Last day to submit bill requests to Office of Legislative Counsel</p>	<p>July</p> <p>7 Summer recess begins at the end of this day's session if Budget bill has been enacted</p>
<p>February</p> <p>24 Last day to introduce bills</p>	<p>August</p> <p>7 Legislature reconvenes</p> <p>18 Last day for Fiscal Committees to meet and report bills to Floor</p> <p>21 Floor session only through August 31</p> <p>25 Last day to amend bills on the Floor</p> <p>31 Final recess begins at end of this day's session</p>
<p>April</p> <p>6 Spring Recess begins at the end of this day's session.</p> <p>17 Last day for policy committees to hear and report Fiscal Committees fiscal bills introduced in their house</p> <p>28 Last day for policy committees to hear and report non-fiscal bills introduced in their house to Floor</p>	<p>September</p> <p>30 Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature before September 1 and in his possession on or after September 1</p>
<p>May</p> <p>12 Last day for policy committees to meet and report non-fiscal bills introduced in their house to Floor</p> <p>19 Last day for policy committees to meet prior to June 5</p> <p>26 Last day for Fiscal Committees to hear and report to the Floor bills introduced in their house</p> <p>26 Last day for Fiscal Committees to meet prior to June 5</p> <p>30 Floor session only through June 5</p>	<p>October</p> <p>2 Bills enacted on or before this date take effect on June 1, 2007</p>
<p>June</p> <p>2 Last day for bills to be passed out of the house of origin</p> <p>5 Committee meetings may resume</p> <p>15 Budget must be passed by midnight</p> <p>29 Last day for a legislative measure to qualify for the general election (November 7) ballot</p> <p>30 Last day for policy committees to meet and report bills</p>	<p>November</p> <p>30 2005-06 session adjourns at midnight</p> <p>December</p> <p>4 2007-08 Regular session convenes at midnight</p>

109th United States Congress
2006 Session Calendar

<p>January</p> <p>16 Senate and House recess for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</p> <p>31 Senate and House convene</p> <p>31 State of the Union Address</p>	<p>July</p> <p>3-7 Independence Day District Work Period</p> <p>11 Senate and House reconvene</p>
<p>February</p> <p>20 President's Birthday</p> <p>20-24 Presidents' Day Recess</p>	<p>August</p> <p>7-Sept 4 Summer District work period</p>
<p>March</p> <p>20-24 House and Senate not in session</p>	<p>September</p> <p>4 Labor Day</p> <p>5 Senate and House reconvene</p>
<p>April</p> <p>2 House and Senate reconvene</p> <p>10-21 Spring District Work Period</p>	<p>October</p> <p>6 Target Adjournment Date</p>
<p>May</p> <p>29- June 2 Memorial Day Recess/District Work Period</p>	<p>November</p> <p>7 Election Day</p> <p>10 Veterans Day Holiday</p> <p>23 Thanksgiving Holiday</p>
<p>June</p> <p>5 Senate and House reconvene</p>	<p>December</p> <p>16 Hanukkah</p> <p>25 Christmas Holiday</p>